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Ms. Karen Tyler, Esq.
University of Vermont Medical Center
111 Colchester Ave.
Burlington, VT 05401**RE: Docket No. GMCB-010-21con, New Philips Ingenia Elition 3.0 T X MRI and construction of an Addition to House the MRI at 192 Tilley Drive in South Burlington Project Cost: \$4,080,192.**

Dear Ms. Tyler:

Thank you for the application for the above referenced project. As we require additional information to complete our review of this project, please respond to the questions below.

1. Explain whether there will be any increase in rates or change in charges associated with this project.
2. Depreciation is reflected in the income statement but not on the balance sheet as accumulated depreciation. Please explain why it is not reflected on the balance sheet and/or revise the balance sheet to reflect the accumulated depreciation for the project.
3. Specify the reimbursement amount (average or range) for scans performed on a 1.5T MRI versus the 3.0T MRI, with and without contrast.
4. Using a table format, for each of the five existing MRIs, show the capacity, actual scans performed, and percentage capacity unused for each MRI for years 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021.
5. Explain why at least 400 scans will be redirected from the leased 3.0T MRI to the new 3.0T MRI, the impact of redirecting 400-plus scans to the new MRI, the percentage of time that 400 fewer scans represent for the leased 3.0T MRI, and what the time freed up will be used for on the leased 3.0T MRI.



6. In a table format, reflect what the projected number of scans to be performed annually in years 1, 2 and 3 on the new 3.0T MRI by area (e.g., cancer, neurology, oncology, orthopedic etc.) and the percent of total scans that each area represents in each year.
7. Page 8 and 14: It is stated that existing MRI support space (staff break/locker room, male and female bathroom and changing room, holding spaces and staff offices) will be adequate to support both the existing 1.5T MRI and the new 3.0T MRI. Given that you are adding 2.3 staff in year 1 and 4.6 staff in year 2 and the 3.0T will be adding 1,584 additional scans in year 1 and 2,410 by year five, please explain in detail how the existing support space will be adequate for the increase in staff and volumes and will not require an addition or renovations to accommodate these changes in years 1-5.

In responding, restate the question in bold font and respond in unbolded font. Send an electronic copy to me at donna.jerry@vermont.gov and one hard copy (three-hole punched) with a Verification Under Oath to my attention at the Green Mountain Care Board, 144 State Street, Montpelier, Vermont 05602.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 802-760-8162.

Sincerely,

s/ Donna Jerry

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Green Mountain Care Board

cc. Laura Beliveau
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